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SUBJ: EX-DEFENSE MINISTER ATTACKS USMILGP

1. CURRENT ISSUE OF SEMANA MAGAZINE FEATURES INTERVIEW WITH EX-DEFENSE MINISTER AND 1973 PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE GENERAL (RETIRED) MARTIN GARCIA VILLASMIL. IN INTERVIEW GARCIA COMPLAINS THAT THE USMILGP IN VENEZUELA " HAS GIVEN US LIMITED ADVISORY ASSISTANCE" AND ALSO STATES THAT IN RECENT YEARS US POLICY TOWARD VENEZUELA " HAS BEEN DEFICIENT AND NOT COMPATIBLE WITH OUR ASPIRATIONS."

2. GARCIA ALSO COMPLAINS THAT THE US EXTENDS MILITARY ASSISTANCE, INCLUDING SOPHISTICATED WEAPONRY, TO UNDERDEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, BUT REFUSES TO PROVIDE VENEZUELA WITH SUCH ITEMS AS PHANTOM JETS ON THE GROUNDS THAT VENEZUELA IS NOT A DEVELOPED COUNTRY. INTERVIEW ENDS WITH GARCIA WARNING IN EFFECT THAT IF THE US IS UNWILLING TO ALTER ITS "NEGATIVE ATTITUDE" TOWARD VENEZUELA, RUSSIANS WILL PROVIDE VENEZUELA WITH THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE IT WANTS.

3. COMMENT. FROM TIME TO TIME PUBLIC DEMANDS FOR THE OUSTER OF THE USMILGP ARE HEARD FROM THE LEFT, BUT CRITICISM
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